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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

TYPE OF DECLARATION

This declaration is of the following type: (check one)

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☐ design

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☐ supplemental

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☐ continuation
☐ continuation-in-part (CIP)

INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**INTERBODY DEVICE AND METHOD FOR TREATMENT OF OSTEOPOROTIC
VERTEBRAL COLLAPSE****SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION**

the specification of which: (complete (a), (b) or (c))

(a) ☐ is attached hereto.

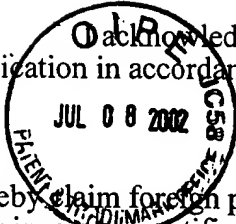
(b) ☒ was filed on October 6, 2000 as ☐ Serial No. _____
or ☒ Express Mail No. EL484184987US, as Serial No. not yet known.
and was amended _____ (if applicable).

(c) ☒ was described and claimed in PCT International Application
No. PCT/US98/14146 filed on July 9, 1998 and as amended under PCT Article 19 on
(if any).

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge my duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56(a).



FOREIGN PRIORITY CLAIM

☐ I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, U.S.C. §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

(complete (d) or (e))

- (d) ☒ no such applications have been filed.
 (e) ☐ such applications have been filed as follows

EARLIEST FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS
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☐ YES ☐ NO

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CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER U.S./PCT APPLICATION(S) UNDER 35 U.S.C. §120

☐ I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §120 of any United States application(s) or PCT international application(s) designating the United States of America that are listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in those prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §120, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

Prior U.S. Application(s) or PCT International Application(s) Designating the U.S. For Benefit Under 35 U.S.C. §120.

U.S. APPLICATIONS

Serial No.	Filing Date	Status (issued, pending or abandoned)
60/052,849	July 9, 1997	Abandoned

PCT APPLICATIONS DESIGNATING THE U.S.

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PCT/US98/14146	July 9, 1998	60/052,849	Abandoned

POWER OF ATTORNEY

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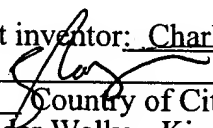
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DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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For: INTERBODY DEVICE AND METHOD FOR
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VERTEBRAL COLLAPSE

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**SUBMISSION OF DECLARATION/POWER OF ATTORNEY
OF NON-PROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

Sir:

The above application was filed on October 6, 2000 under Express Mail No. EL484184987US and was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. PCT/US98/14146 which was filed on July 9, 1998. The application was filed without the required Declaration/Power of Attorney.

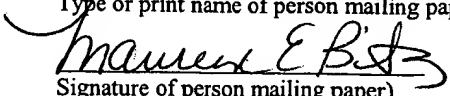
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CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date February 22, 2002 in an envelope addressed to: Attn: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

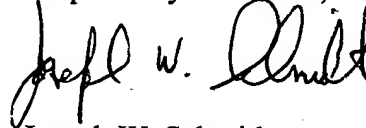
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Respectfully submitted,

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